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1. [redacted] the following numbers of loaded refrigerator cars entered East Germany from the U.S.S.R. via Frankfurt/Oder in February 1953:

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Date in February	Number of Cars	Load	Dispatched to
4	3	butter	Erfurt
	2	"	Leipzig
	1	"	Forst
14	2	canned food	Berlin
	1	"	Fuerstenberg 1

2. [redacted] the following numbers of refrigerator cars loaded with meat entered East Germany from Rumania via Bad Schandau in February 1953:

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Date in February	Number of Cars	Dispatched to
2	3	Berlin
	2	Foerderstedt
	1	Zwickau
4	1	Berlin
	2	Forst
	2	Magdeburg
5	1	Berlin
6	1	"
11	1	Potsdam
	2	Halle
	2	Berlin
12	1	Frankfurt/Oder
	2	Magdeburg
	1	Halberstadt
13	2	Dresden
15	2	Berlin
16	2	Stendal
17	2	Berlin
18	2	Dresden
	1	Rostock

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Date in February	Number of Cars	Dispatched to
18	1	Barnim
22	1	Schwerin
	1	Rostock
	1	Stralsund
	1	Brandenburg
23	1	Stendal
	1	Burg
25	2	Potsdam
	1	Burg
	1	Doebeln
	1	Stendal
	1	Naumburg
	1	Ludwigslust
	1	Torgau

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3. [ ] the following numbers of refrigerator cars loaded with frozen vegetables entered East Germany from Hungary via Bad Schandau in February 1953:

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Date in February	Number of Cars	Dispatched to
17	1	Magdeburg
	2	Berlin
21	1	Halle

4. [ ] the following numbers of refrigerator cars loaded with meat entered East Germany from Czechoslovakia via Bad Schandau in February 1953:

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Date in February	Number of Cars	Dispatched to
7	2	Berlin
	1	Ludwigslust
	1	Rostock
	1	Eisenach
	1	Sonneberg
	1	Ilmenau
	1	Hildburghausen
8	1	"
	1	Schkeuditz
	1	Prenzlau
	1	Demmin
	1	Teterow
	1	Warnemuende
	1	Berlin
	1	Rudolstadt
	1	Saalfeld
	1	Sonneberg
	1	Frankfurt/Oder
	1	Chemnitz
9	1	Leipzig
	2	Berlin
	2	Halle

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1. [ ] Comment. As compared with January 1953, loaded refrigerator cars entering East Germany from the U.S.S.R. decreased from 346 to 9 cars. This large decrease cannot be accounted for. It is believed that all refrigerator car shipments during February were reported.

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2.  Comment. As compared with January 1953, incoming refrigerator car shipments from Rumania decreased by 50 percent.
3.  Comment. As compared with January, refrigerator car shipments from Czechoslovakia decreased slightly.
4.  Comment. The considerable decrease of incoming refrigerator car shipments is surprising in view of the critical food situation in East Germany. It was possibly caused by a lack of foreign exchange.

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